

NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



JANUARY 3, 2021

The Epiphany of the Lord

PASTORAL STAFF

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RECTORY OFFICE

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Office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

The Rectory Office is closed on Friday.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm (*Vigil Mass*)

Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am

No Mass on Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm

Pat Fischer & Barbara Kozlowski, *Office Staff*

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203-268-5838

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(in the church)

Mrs. Patricia Steccato, *Director of Religious Ed.*
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PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Council Chairperson

Mrs. Diane Baker

Finance Council Chairman

Philip Adriani

Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

Mrs. Diane Baker &
Salvatore Gilbertie

Eucharistic Adoration

Temporarily Suspended

Parish Nurse Program / Blood Pressure Screening

Temporarily Suspended

First Friday Communion Calls or Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory office.

Pre-Baptismal Classes

Please call the Rectory office to
schedule a class.

Baptisms

Please call the Rectory office to
arrange Baptisms.

Weddings

Please call the Rectory office at
least one year in advance to
arrange a wedding.

Hospital Visits

Please notify the Rectory office
concerning family members
who are hospitalized.

Parish Registration

Please call the Rectory office to
register.



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Mass Intentions for January 2nd through January 10th, 2021



Sat. 5:00pm	Maureen Chuga	r/b Joe and Dorinda Pizone
Sun. 8:00am	Nicola Vaccaro	r/b the family
11:00am	William Heino	r/b Women of Notre Dame
Mon. 7:30am	June Hartford Alley	r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie
Tues. 7:30am	Kenneth L. Wilson, Sr.	r/b Diane Baker
Wed. 7:30am	Bob and Mary Biggins	
Thurs. 7:30am	Leona Pisani	r/b Pat and Tom Fischer
Fri. 7:30am	No Mass	
Sat. 5:00pm	Marie Liuzzo	r/b the Malinowski family
Sun. 8:00am	Michael A. Dean, III	r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie
11:00am	Charles Kozlowski – 14 th Anniversary	r/b the family

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

December 26th & 27th, 2020 breakdown of collection
 Many of our parishioners have been mailing in their offertory envelopes – it is greatly appreciated. **THANK YOU!**

5:00pm Mass	\$	Due to and early bulletin
8:00am Mass	\$	transmission the offertory
11:00am Mass	\$	amounts for December
Total Mass Collection:	\$	26/27 will be reported
Other Offertory:		in next week's bulletin.
Capital Improvement:	\$	
Christmas Envelopes	\$	
Online Giving:	\$	

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ONLINE GIVING

We realize these are uncertain times, if you could keep up your offertory to the church, we would greatly appreciate it.

Our Online Giving company, OSV, has installed a dedicated phone line for parishioners for set-up and other issues.

It is Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) 260-2243, jthinnes@osv.com

Please consider Online Giving.

It is a simple, safe way to contribute to weekly offerings. In order to register:

1. log on to our parish website;
2. click the Online Giving logo on the homepage
3. fill out the registration form.

If you have any questions please call:
 (800) 348-2886, option #2.

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Bequests to Notre Dame of Easton are Strongly Encouraged and Gratefully Accepted

Suggestion: When a loved one dies, please advise friends and relatives to make a donation to the "Notre Dame Sanctuary Fund" in memory of the deceased & include this wish in the obituary notice.

Please Pray for the Sick

The names entrusted to this list will always be included in our prayers:



Susan Williams	Alison Raver	Leah Ambrose
Christopher Vitale	Angela Doescher	Ed Kovac
Siobhan Smith	Joan McGrath	
A Friend	Alice Martinich	Pat Perrotta
Mildred Negri	Elizabeth Morgan	Georgia Egan
Deacon Vincent Heidenrieck	Gabrella Reitmeyer	
Anthony Racca	Dr. Sal Santella	

If you would like to place someone on the prayer list, please email churchladies@optonline.net, or call the Rectory office at 203-268-5838 during business hours.

Rectory Office Hours

The Rectory office hours are:
 Monday through Thursday
 9:00am to 3:30pm.

The office is closed on Friday.

If you come to the office, we ask that you please wear a mask.

Please pray for the soul of:

Fannie Donofrio
 mother of Debbie Meno
 May she rest in peace.



Religious Education

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-4pm
Other times by appointment: (203)261-5596
ndore@optonline.net

PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS

The Diocesan requirement to receive the **Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** is two years of preparation, beginning in first grade.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation is celebrated in the 2nd grade.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated in the 3rd grade.

The **requirement** to receive First Reconciliation is completion of first and second grade Religious Education.

The **requirements** to receive First Holy Communion are reception of First Reconciliation and completion of second and third grade Religious Education.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated in 9th grade. The Diocesan **requirement** is completion of 7th and 8th grade Religious Education.

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Baptism – Please call the Rectory office to set up a Baptism – 203-268-5838, Monday thru Thursdays – 9:00am to 3:30pm.

A Pre-Baptism class is required for both parents prior to the Baptism of their 1st child

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Parish Registration: We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. Please stop by or call the Rectory office (203 268-5838) to **officially register**.

Our hours are 9am to 3:30pm – Monday thru Friday.

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Sponsor Certificates: We **cannot** give you a sponsor certificate unless you are a **registered member of the parish for at least 6 months** and attend Mass regularly.



Women of Notre Dame News:

2020–2021 Membership

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Notre Dame of Easton Bible Study

We are happy to report the Bible Study will resume on Tuesday - January 5th

10:00-11:30am

The next dates will be January 19th
February 2nd and February 16th

- * No food is permitted.
- * We must each sign in and provide contact information at every gathering.
- * Masks are required, along with social distancing.
- * Chairs must be sanitized after each event.
- * Rest room must be cleaned after each use.

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Veritas Catholic Network

Veritas Catholic Network is working to help you bring Jesus Christ to your parishioners. We broadcast faithful Catholic programming, 24 hours a day on the radio at 1350AM and on your mobile phone.

Bishop Caggiano's weekly show is also on Veritas. *Let Me Be Frank* has been on the air for about ten months now, airing live at 12:00 noon on Wednesdays, and available as a podcast. Over the course of this year, Bishop Frank has provided comfort, teaching, and plenty of funny stories from his childhood. One listener told me that she's learned so much from his show, and that she is happy to be getting to know him on a personal level.

In addition to *Let Me Be Frank*, we also produce a local shows called *Restless*, and we have a few others ready to launch in the new year. And... Veritas is an affiliate of EWTN Radio, so we already broadcast around the clock. Here's just part of our schedule:

Monday - Friday

8:00am: Daily Mass - live from the EWTN Chapel

9:00am: Catholic Connection - Teresa Tomeo discusses current events

10:00am: More 2 Life - Dr Greg & Lisa Popcak offer family counseling to callers

11:00am: Women of Grace - Johnnette Williams discusses the spiritual life with callers

12:00pm: Let Me Be Frank - Wednesdays with Bishop Frank Caggiano

12:00pm: Take 2 - Jerry Usher & Debbie Georgianni speak with callers

1:00pm: The Doctor Is In - Dr Ray Guarendi counsels callers with advice and humor

2:00pm: Called to Communion - Dr David Anders answers calls from non-Catholics

3:00pm: EWTN Open Line - a rotating cast of Catholic experts take on all calls

4:00pm: Kresta in the Afternoon - Al Kresta talks about current events & important issues

6:00pm: Catholic Answers Live - Cy Kellett & team answer callers' apologetics questions

...and, of course, there's Mother Angelica, Fr Benedict Groeschel, Bishop Robert Barron, and many more excellent EWTN shows.

You can tune in to 1350AM on the radio, or go to www.veritascatholic.com to listen live, see the schedule, sign up for the mailing list (definitely sign up for the mailing list!), and download the Veritas app for easy access on mobile phones

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2021



"After Jesus' birth in Bethlehem of Judea during the reign of King Herod, astrologers from the east arrived one day in Jerusalem inquiring: 'Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We observed his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.'... they were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house, found the child with Mary, his mother."

The visitors were looking for Jesus. They brought gifts portraying His role as priest, prophet and king. They depended on a star to lead them to their Savior.

The Magi event is so familiar, found in scripture, filled with traditions. Their search ended with a great discovery and blessing. In the gospels the question is asked, 'what are you looking for?' or 'who is it that you seek?'

We are like the wise men, looking for the Lord. Where can we find Him? Right here, right now. Jesus makes Himself known to us, if we bring the gift of ourselves, if we wish to pay Him homage. It requires humility, honesty and sincerity as we recognize Him as savior of all humankind.



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Resumption of Masses

Masses are held in the lower Church Hall.

□ Masses will be offered with the following schedule:

Monday-Thursday at 7:30 AM
(No Mass on Friday).

(NOTE – change in schedule)

****All upcoming Friday intentions will be honored at the Thursday morning Mass.**

Saturdays at 5:00 PM and Sundays at 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

The limit for Mass attendance is 50 people.

Bishop Caggiano has continued to dispense the obligation to attend Sunday Mass through the summer.

Please read "Guidelines" on our website:

www.notredameofeaston.org, for all of the rules and regulations.



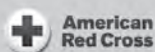
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